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THREE YEARS AFTER THE SANTA CRUZ MASSACRE

The Santa Cruz Massacre of November 12, 1991 is still in the hearts and minds of theTimorese people three years later. On the anniversary of the Massacre Timorese youth have entered the American Embassy while some people were arrested by security forces. This action confronts the people of Indonesia and the international community with the still unsolved problem of East Timor and that the suffering continues.

The diplomatic efforts carried out by the Indonesian government is not able to solve the issue of East Timor in the international forums and the United Nations. Meetings between the Indonesian government and anti integration representatives of the people of East Timor, before the APEC Summit, were only to present the appearance of a government concerned for human rights in Indonesia and avoid criticism.

President Suharto, himself, before the Summit, issued a statement that he was ready to dialogue with anti-integration forces outside East Timor. This statement is more or less a move by the Indonesian government to make sure the issue of East Timor will not affect Indonesia's interests and success during the APEC summit.

The Indonesian Students Solidarity for Democracy in Indonesia (SSDI) strongly demands that the Government of Indonesia:

1. Hold a democratic referendum in East Timor, under UN auspices and international supervision.

2. Allow access for national and international human rights organizations and media in order to freely and objectively report without restrictions and the need for permission from authorities.

3. Hold a free and democratic trial for all the East Timorese political prisoners under the direct supervision of the UN and international human rights organizations.

4. Cease committing atrocities against demonstrators and guarantee the wishes of the people of East Timor in expressing their voice for self-determination.

The struggle of the East Timorese people should be integrated with the struggle of the people of Indonesia for democracy. The Students Solidarity for Democracy in Indonesia consequently support the efforts of the international community, UN and international human rights organizations to hold a democratic referendum for the people of East Timor so they can exercise their right to self-determination.

The Student Solidarity for Democracy in Indonesia appeals to the international community to send a letter of support for the East Timorese people's struggle, and it also appeals to the United States government (President Clinton) to pressure the Republic of Indonesia to:

1. To release Xanana Gusmao
2. To hold a free referendum under UN supervision in East Timor

Thank you for your attention

Jakarta November 13, 1994

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STATEMENT OF THE INDONESIAN OFFICIALS REGARDING THE DEMONSTRATION OF THE 3 YEARS COMMEMORATION OF THE SANTA CRUZ MASSACRE

Francisco Fernandez (co-ord. Forum Pengkajian Timtim): My presence at the American US Embassy does not mean to support or to dialogue with the demonstrators, but to give ideas to the US Ambassador regarding the real situation, in order to prevent the US government from taking the wrong decisions (MI, 14 November 1994).

Abilio José Osório (Governor of East-Timor): Don't make demonstrations because such actions will destroy the name of the nation in the international forum (MI, 14 November 1994).

JFX. Bello (Bishop of Dili): There are still many problems in East-Timor, based on the social and political problems. We should listen to their (the people's) aspirations. After that, ask them to leave the US Embassy. (MI, 15 November 1994).

Clementino dos Reis Amaral (Komnas HAM): The demonstrators at the US Embassy know already the latest developments in Dili, because they monitor the situation through radio.....there is a group which organizes the activities in Dili and Jakarta. (MI, 15 November 1994).

Jenderal Banurusman Astro Soemitro (Kapolri): Events like this one have also happened in other regions. We arrested the actors and investigations are being done by the regional police (Polwil). (MI, 15 November 1994).

Brig.General, TNI Syarwan Hamid (Chief of the Indonesian Army Information Centre, Kepala Pusat Penerangan ABRI):
Despite their persistency in showing themselves as Timorese students and by staying at the US Embassy, they will never cause any concern to the security forces (MI, 15 November 1994).

Moerdiono (Secretary of State): The Indonesian government will not put obstacles in the way of any Indonesian citizen who wants to seek political asylum in any state, where- and whenever. This also applies for the East-Timorese at the US Embassy (MI, 15 November 1994) CHECK LATER.

Nb. (MI=Media Indonesia newspaper)

Major General Arie Wibowo (Head of BIA, responsible for the security of APEC): Guaranteed the safety of the demonstrators (KOMPAS, 14 November 1994).

Major General Koesparmono Irsan (Deputy of the Chief of Police, section Operations, of the Republic Indonesia): The Polri is ready to remove these East-Timorese demonstrators from the US Embassy, if the US Embassy requests for it. (KOMPAS, 14 November 1994).

CHRONOLOGY OF THE TIMORESE STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS ON THE 3 YEARS COMMEMORATION OF THE SANTA CRUZ MASSACRE ON 12 NOVEMBER 1991

11 November 1994
Delegations of Timorese students from several universities and cities of Bali and Java gathered in Malang and left for Surabaya by train on their way to Jakarta in two groups. The first group left at 04.00 AM and arrived at the Kubong, Surabaya Station at ....* (* not readable). The second group left at 05.00 AM and arrived at the same place at 07.00 AM. In total, there were 90 people in both groups.

12.15 PM: Departure from the station Kubong, Surabaya towards the station Senen, Jakarta. In the way, 2 persons of the delegation disappeared after arrived in Jogyakarta.

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Jakarta
07.30: Arrived at the Station Senen/Waiting for transportation. 08.00: As the delegation moves out from the station, one of its members is immediately arrested by the BIA intelligence officer. Faced with this, the delegation disperses. Meanwhile, 41 people are arrested and detained. Among the 41 people, 36 are sent back to Polda Jawa Timur. The other 5 people are strongly suspected of being detained under the tight security of Bakorstanas. Nevertheless, around 30 people using taxis try to enter the US Embassy by climbing the fence.

One of the 30 people was arrested by the security forces and taken to Polsek, Gambir (Local Police headquarters) and tortured. Some of them, by using the bus, escape from the security forces.

10.00: Some of the delegation who manage to escape try to regroup with their other comrades to go ahead with their plans of entering the embassy until they succeed.

08.50-16.30: Three more Timorese students try to enter the embassy. One succeeds, one is arrested and the other escapes.

Dili
12.30 (local time) Around 1000 people take part in a demonstration in Bekora, three kilometres from Dili, demanding the withdrawal of Indonesian troops from East Timor. The demonstrations begin with clashes with the security forces, during these clashes three Timorese are killed. On the same day in Lecidera, Dili there are also demonstrations with the same demand. These demonstrations are stopped at the request of Bishop Belo because he fears the military's response and reprisals - especially considering what happened three years ago at Santa Cruz. Latest reports say 83 people are arrested by the security forces. Meanwhile in Baucau and Ermera, the Timorese people hoist the Fretelin flag and sing the East Timorese national anthem.

13 November 1994

Dili
There are again demonstrations and clashes between the youth and the military apparatus in Dili. Accurate information and further details are not available as access is now restricted.

Jakarta
Presently there is no further information on the real condition of the 29 students at the US Embassy because there is a blockade around the embassy by the security forces. Journalists are prohibited to take photos or interview the demonstrators at the Embassy.

14 November 1994
Dili
There are more demonstrations and actions. This time at the University of East Timor (Untim) because an Untim student was arrested by 744 Company C. The arrest sparks clashes between the Untim students and this company backed by anti-riot forces. These clashes develop into a larger riot. The security forces threaten to arrest the students who refuse to leave the campus but the students continue to resist in the campus and demand that the riot police should leave the campus. Because of this incident, the university dean proposed the suspension of classes for three days, beginning November 14.

Jakarta
A member of the National Commission of Human Rights (Komnas HAM), Clementino dos Reis Amaral tried to meet the demonstrators at the US Embassy in Jakarta.

East Java
The 36 students who were arrested at the Senen Station, and later released from police headquarters (Polda Metor Jaya), are taken to Surabaya by bus under heavy military escort. After arrival in Surabaya they are lectured by the police and sent home. But the police threatened them with further arrest and interrogation. Five of those arrested at Senen Station are not included in the 36 returned to Surabaya. It is suspected that they are still being detained in Bakorstanas at Jl. Kramat V, Jakarta Pusat.

Latest information received this evening from Malang said that, the security forces will call back the students for further interrogation and possible detention.

Observation:
1. The 7 students persecuted and in hiden in Jakarta 3 days ago arrived safely in Malang later today. They are currently in hidden. Meanwhile, some of the 35 students who lived in Pare and Kediri were called by the authorities for interrogations.

2. According to sources in Dili, the total number of people arrested during this 4 days of demonstration were around 230 people. They are currently detained in the Police headquaters in Dili (Polwil). Some of them, after interrogations, were released.

3. Additional information from Dili: 50 people who joined the demonstration were beating up by the security forces and now rested in the hospital.

4. As a result of the violent reprisal done by the Indonesian security forces against the demonstrators, 5 people are reported died. So far, only one dead body was returned to the families to be buried in the hometown, Bobonaro.

November 17, 1994 (11.00 a.m.)
Tensions continue in the capital Dili, East Timor. The security forces are presently searching people in the houses in Dili. More people arrested specially young people and those suspected by the Intel.

A meeting held at the University of East Timor (Untim) yesterday morning around 09.00 AM by 300 students was broken up by security forces who tried to stop the meeting. As a consequence, physical confrontation occurred between the students and security forces. No injuries so far (students) were reported.

At the SGI's (satuan....) headquarters in COLMERA, DILI, the security forces detained several people including one student's leader, Jose Manuel Fernandes, who was formerly detained at the military headquartes in Viqueque district.

A young boy of age 14 heavily tortured by the security forces yesterday died today. His identification was not yet known caused by the military tight control over Dili.

Polwil (Police Headquarters) Dili: Around 230 people are actually detained there since the arrests on November 12-11-'94. Sources said, some people suffered heavy interrogations, tortures and threats of death. Meanwhile, some were released after been tortured. On the 9-11-1994, 9 students accused of organising demonstrations (including one student called Vasco) were arrested and detained in **Kampung Alor** in the house of Mr. Umar Alkatiri (Indonesian collaborator) . Umar telephone's number is (0390) 21074. A priest who noticed the case called on Human Rights Organizations to telephone Mr. Umar to find out the situation of the prisoners.

Finally, the dead body of Mr. Mario Vicente who was killed at the public market in BECORA, Dili, was returned to the family by the militaries in Bobonaro. During the funeral, the militaries addressed the people by threatening them not to fight against the Indonesian army.
NB. This report was supplied by a reliable source in Dili.

Latest information (18-11-1994) at 22.00 PM: List of the students involved in the demonstration at the US Embassy in Jakarta (note: the names of the 29 students inside the Embassy are not yet identified) :

I. From MALANG:

1. Quintilano M. Neto : Age 25, student of Teknik & Manajemen.
2. Eustáquio Sacramento P. Guterres : Age 21, student of the Univ. Unika Widya Karya.
3. Evaristo dos Santos : Age 20, student of the University Wisnuwardhana.
4. Mario Sousa Gama : Age 22, student of the Unika Widya Karya.
5. Francisco Honório F.S. : Age 22, student of the Univ. Widya Gama.
6. Aurélio Aries Tilman : Age 22, student of the Unika Widya Karya.
7. Hortêncio : Age 21, student of the University Merdeka.
8. Samuel D. do Rosário : Age 22, student of the Unika Widya Karya.
9. Nazário da Silva : Age 20, student of the University Merdeka.
10. Miguel dos Santos : Age 19, student of the Institut Teknologi Nasional.
11. Marino Sousa : Age 20, student of the Institut Teknologi Nasional.
12. Francisco Bonaparte : Age 23, student of the Unika Widya Karya.
13. Adérito dos Reis : Age 22, student of the University Wisnuwardhana.
14. Domingos Baptista : Age 26, student of the University Widya Karya.
15. João dos Santos : Age 24, student of the University Widya Karya.
16. Gaspar Francisco Guterres : Age 22, student of the University Widya Gama.
17. Gino Belmiro Freitas : Age 27, student of the University Merdeka.
18. Benigno S. Soares : Age 25, student of the University Merdeka.
19. Aldin Vaz de Carvalho : Age 24, student of the Unika Widya Karya.
20. Délio Nunes : Age 22, student of the Unika Widya Karya.
21. Nuno Pinto : Age 20, student of the Institut Teknologi Nasional.
22. Edgar Fernando : Age 23, student of the Institut Teknologi Nasional.
23. Zito : Age 22, student of the Unika Widya Karya.
24. Alfeu : Age 20, student of the Institut Teknologi Nasional.
25. Hernánio Viterbo da Costa Soares : Age 22, student of the Institut Teknologi Nasional.
26. Zito António de Jesus Soares : Age 23, student of the University Brawijaya.

27.Fernando Lourenço : Age 25, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
28.Luís Nascimento : Age 22, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
29.Luís Fonseca : Age 22, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
30.José das Dores : Age 21, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
31.Januário Eudotério : Age 25, student of the University Widya Gama.
32.Atanásio Barreto : Age 21, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
33.Hélder Barreto Gonçalves : Age 20, student of the Akademi Koperasi.

34.André Paulo Faria : Age 22, student of the University Wisnuwardhana.
35.Hélio Alin : Age 19, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
36.Anacleto Bento Ferreira Moniz : Age 24, student of the Unika Widya Karya.

37.António Viegas : Age 22, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
38.Fausto Lemos : Age 21, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
39.João Miguel B. Ximenes : Age 20, student of the Universitas Merdeka.

40.Júlio Ximenes : Age 22, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
41.Augusto da Conceição : Age 22, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
42.Manuel Luís Ribeiro : Age 20, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
43.Gaspar Francisco : Age 22, student of the Universitas Gajayana.
44.Hugo José Gonçalves de Jesus : Age 20, student of the Institut Teknologi Nasional.

45.Mateus dos Santos : Age 23, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
46.José Francisco dos Santos : Age 23, student of the Akademi Koperasi.

47.Luís da Costa Conceição : Age 25, student of the Universitas Wisnuwardhana.

48.António Martinho da Costa Lopes : Age 20, student of the Universitas Wisnuwardhana.

49.Luís Neto Fraga : Age 35, student of the Akademi Koperasi.
50.Cornélio da Costa Martins : Age 21, student of the Institut Teknologi Nasional.

51.Mariano Sabino : Age 27, student of the Universitas Brawijaya.
52.Adelino Eco Soares : Age 23, student of the Sekolah Tinggi Manajemen.

II. From PARE, KEDIRI
53.Alfredo de Meneses dos Santos : Age 21, student of the Akademi Koperasi Kediri.

54.Francisco Rolando : Age 22, student of the Akademi Koperasi Kediri.
55.Francisco Borja C. Soares : Age 22, student of the Akademi Koperasi Kediri.

56.Júlio Amílcar Caetano : Age 22, student of the Akademi Koperasi Kediri.
57.José Carlos Smith : Age 22, student of the Akademi Koperasi kediri.

58.José Ângelo da Cruz Soares : Age 22, student of the Akademi Koperasi Kediri.

59.Longuinhos Maia dos Santos : Age 30, student of the Akademi Koperasi Kediri.

III. From JEMBER

60.José M. Soares Costa : Age 26, student ofthe Universitas Jember.
61.Frederico Cabral : Age 26, student of the Universitas Jember.
62.Adérito dos Santos : Age 24, student of the Universitas Jember.
63.Oscar da Silva : Age 26, student of the Universitas Jember.
64.Saturnino Lopes Sarmento : Age 26, student of the Universitas Jember.

65.Abraão Marino : Age 22, student of the Universitas Jember.
66.Joaquim Sarmento : Age 23, student of the Universitas Jember.
67.Domingos Tílman : Age 22, student of the Universitas Jember.
68.José Jaime da Silva : Age 20, student of the Universitas Jember.
69.Arlindo Dias : Age 22, student of the Universitas Jember.
70.José Fernando : Age 21, student of the Universitas Jember.
71.António Meneses : Age 22, student of the Universitas Jember.

IV. From East Timor, Denpasar (Bali) and Jogyakarta.

72. Carlos da Silva Lopes : Age 37, student of the Universitas Udayana Bali.
73. Victor Lavarez : Age 29, student of the Universitas Udayana Bali.
74. Domingos Sarmento : Age 27, student of the Universitas Kristen Petra.

75. Jorge João Lay : Age 22, student of the Akademi Kursus : Komputer/Inggris.

76. Júlio de C. Ribeiro : Age 24, student of the Akademi Kursus Komputer/Inggris.

77.Arsénio : Age 20, student of the Universitas Dr. Soetomo.
78.Mário Soriano : Age 20, student of the Akademi Kursus Komputer/Inggris.

79.António Ramos : Age 22, student of the Universitas Airlangga.
80.Hélder Pires : Age 25, student of the Universitas Gajah Mada.
81.Arlindo Fernandes : Age 26, student of the Universitas Gajah Mada.